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## MEETING AT HALE CENTER SUCCESS

THE MEETING OF THE FEDERATION OF COMMERCIAL CLUBS AND NEWSPAPER MEN OF THE SOUTH PLAINS A SUCCESS

## NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT LOCKNEY, TEXAS

The Next Meeting of This Federation Will Be Held at Lockney, The Second Friday and Saturday in April. If You Have Not Been Attending, You Have Missed a Treat.

The fifth meeting of the Commercial Secretaries and Newspaper Men's Federation was held in Hale Center, beginning at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday, the session being held in the Methodist church. In the absence of President Callahan of Tulsa, Don H. Biggers of Lubbock, presided, and Frank E. White of Crosbyton, was secretary.

After stating the purpose of the meeting and outlining the work of the present session, Mr. Biggers introduced Prof. J. M. Bull of Hale Center, who delivered a well worded address of welcome, which was responded to by J. H. Foster of the Plainview News.

The delegates in attendance the first day were as follows: J. A. Graham, Sec. of Plainview Commercial Club; Joe Foster, of the Plainview News; Mr. Dowden, President of the Plainview Commercial Club; Don H. Biggers, Sec. of the Lubbock Commercial Club; Geo. M. Hill, of the Lubbock Avalanche; F. E. White, Sec. of the Crosbyton Commercial Club and editor of the Review; and J. C. Johnson of Crosbyton.

The welcome address of Prof. J. M. Bull to the visitors, was one that could do naught but make each and everyone feel that they were indeed welcome to the hospitality of the Hale Center citizens. Prof. Bull informed us that the keys of their city were in our hands, and the latch string was hanging on the outside of each door in the city, and that their calaboose doors were standing ajar, and we were welcome to enter. The response by Uncle Joe Foster of the Plainview News, was eloquent to the limit, and he assured Prof. Bull and the citizens of Hale Center, that we appreciated their warm welcome and that we had no other idea than to accept the hospitality offered us.

Next came a few short, but to the point talks by Sec. Graham, of Plainview; Mr. Dowden of Plainview; J. C. Johnson of Crosbyton; Prof. J. M. Bull of Hale Center, and others. It was then moved and carried that we adjourn until 7:30 that evening.

As we entered the church in the evening our ears were greeted by sweet music furnished by the home talent string band, and this splendid music was interspersed all through the program on this occasion.

The first speaker on the program was the Hon. Don H. Biggers, Secretary of the Federation of Commercial Clubs and of the Lubbock Club. Mr. Biggers' subject was, "Development and How to Accomplish It." Mr. Biggers in his remarks showed how necessary it was to develop the Great Plains Country, how necessary it was for the large land owners to cut their lands and sell them in small tracts to the homeseekers on terms that they could pay for it, giving as an example that if they did not

do this, they were standing in their own light in a financial way as well as in a social way, and the right kind of development of society and the future training of their children. Mr. Biggers also told the people why there were so many howls of hard times in the country, and asked that every man in the house who raised all they needed at home, to live on, that is meat, eggs and butter to stand up, only one man in the entire congregation standing. He then said, here is the cause for so many loaded cars coming in and empty ones going out. Raise what you need for your table use at home. He further stated that this was the best country in Texas, unless John Dillard was a liar, and there was no use of this string of cars going back empty.

Mr. Biggers was followed by F. E. White of Crosbyton. In Mr. White's address, he told them several things about the new town of Crosbyton, what they were doing, and what they intended to do in the future. He showed them how the C. B. Live Stock Co. were cutting their lands up, selling it to actual settlers and helping these people to make their first and their hardest crop.

Uncle Joe Foster followed with: "The relationship of the Newspaper with Commercial Club work." In his splendid talk, he showed why the newspaper should be, and was the leading business in every town, that it was a town builder, and a country developer.

W. H. Malloy rendered: "Among the Palms," with great pathos, and it was commented on as being one of the successes of the evening.

Mrs. W. N. Claxton favored the audience with a sweet song, entitled "Dry Those Tears," which was encored and Mrs. Claxton was compelled to render another song, ere the multitude would quiet.

The meeting was here adjourned until 9:00 o'clock a. m., the following morning.

Mr. Graham of the Plainview Club, here taken the floor and talked to us for several minutes on the smudge pot proposition. He said that if used right, the smudge pot would save at least seventy-five per cent of the fruit in this country. Mr. Graham had brought one of these pots along, and gave examples how they were worked.

We will only give two of the resolutions that were passed, they being 1 and 2, and are as follows:

1. We believe it to be best for our Federation that a re-organization be effected as speedily as possible, and that only those counties which have given aid and encouragement to our efforts are eligible to membership.

2. We believe that the best interest of our Federation and of the territory embraced therein demand that an effort be made

to establish a fair association for the counties of Lamb, Hale, Floyd, Crosby, Lubbock, Terry, Lynn, Dawson, Cochran and Hockley.

The next meeting place was decided on as being held at Lockney the second Friday and Saturday in April.

As a representative of the Avalanche, we wish to thank Mr. Malloy, associate editor of the Hale Center Live Wire, the people of Hale Center in general, and most especially Mr. and Mrs. R. West Lemond and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lemonds, for their hospitable entertainment of ourselves, and hoping that the days and months will not be long ere we shall again have the pleasure of receiving this whole heart entertainment.

The business men of this beautiful little city would take pay for nothing, as they termed it, they were afraid our money was "counterfeit." Yes, Hale Center certainly entertained most royally.

### Meeting of Stockholders

At their annual meeting, the stockholders of the First National Bank elected the following officers for the ensuing year: L. T. Lester, C. D. Lester, J. W. Baker, J. M. Dapree and C. E. Parks.

The directors immediately elected the following officers: L. T. Lester, pres.; J. W. Baker, vice pres.; C. D. Lester, cash; and E. C. Prior, asst. cash.

It will be remembered that the First National contemplates the erection of a new building in the near future.

Our friend Frank Newson decided some time ago he would cut down expenses and he made the mistake of beginning by discontinuing his Optic-Herald. He came back this week and said he couldn't keep house without it. Like the folks coming home from the West, isn't it?—Mr. Vernon Optic-Herald.

The first part of your brilliant local, was O. K., brother, but you did not have enough gumption to know where to stop, so you went ahead and shot your head off about the west, the greatest part of the state. Come out and live in this glorious country awhile, and you will not have to call so often for the cold drops.

Mrs. A. L. Baber was a pleasant visitor to the Avalanche office Saturday evening. Besides subscribing for the Avalanche for herself she had us place the name of W. R. Logan, of Burlington, Texas, on for six months. Many thanks, Mrs. Baber.

Read the ad of the Brownfield Auto and Supply Company. Gus Pylon is manager and he is fixing things up in fine shape. They are putting in a large garage and will be fully prepared to accommodate the trade.

A. B. Robertson of Fort Worth, passed through our city this week on his way to his ranch some 20 miles below here. Mr. Robertson expressed himself as well pleased with Lubbock's progress and thinks her future is very bright.

Frank Bowles, the man promoting the new town of Monroe, ten miles from Lubbock on the Santa Fe railroad, was in Crosbyton Monday and sold several town lots to Crosbyton people. Crosbyton Review.

James L. Dow, editor of the Avalanche, and family, left Friday morning to visit Mr. Dow's parents at Seminole. We wish for Mr. Dow and family a pleasant visit.

The Avalanche this week turned out a nice lot of job work for that jovial Hereford stockman, Geo. M. Boles. Mr. Boles has the nicest bunch of Herefords that is today on the plains.

### Canyon Clippings.

Jan. 17.—Every body hitched their teams to the plow about day-break this morning and kept pretty busy all day. We are having some nice weather for plowing now.

On account of Mr. Chas. Landroin's health he is behind with his plowing, so the neighbors are going to give him a good day's work tomorrow if the weather permits.

The ladies of Canyon met at the school house Friday afternoon and organized The Mother's Club with Mrs. M. Green Pres. Mrs. D. A. Douthitt Secy. Mrs. A. C. Buchanan, Mrs. H. P. Webb, Miss Mollie Buchanan and Miss Rachel Cope were appointed program committee, for the box supper which is soon to take place at the school house for the purpose of purchasing a library for the school. The committee is also to set a definite date for the box supper. Begin to get ready for it now, because we are going to have a big time.

Mrs. Jim Powell is visiting Mr. Joe Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox visited at Mr. Cope's Saturday night and Sunday. Miss Ada Cope returned home with them for a few days' visit.

Saturday morning people came from Lubbock and all other directions and merrily started after those lonely howling coyotes but we failed to find them so plentiful in our neighborhood as before, so we ate an excellent dinner and changed territories. But speaking about dinners, now that was the best one ever prepared by feminine fingers. It is my belief that Mr. Baxter Burford surely enjoyed that lunch. He swallowed chicken-bones and biscuits by the mouthful like they were the smallest delicacies. Earl Green said while eating: "Some people eat to live but I live to eat, and I consider life too short to take small bites."

After we ate part of what was before us, we caught a wolf easy enough. Flos Cope said the wolves had been reading the Avalanche and had all left the country. Well probably they have because, every body reads it.

Tues Saturday night all the young folks gathered at Mr. R. D. Looney's and enjoyed a nice time playing games and listening to the excellent music made by Dennis Warren and his two assistants.

Every body reports a fine singing at Prof. H. P. Webb's Sunday night.

M. Green and wife took dinner with B. C. Warren and wife Sunday.

One of Mr. Simpson's sons left for a visit to East Texas Saturday.

No sickness is reported this week. Also no accidents from the wolf hunt Saturday.

Will Rush has purchased from W. K. Dickenson 80 acres of land lying just south of Mr. Cope's place. Will is proceeding to improve same.

### Wild Waves

The Epworth League will give a social at the home of Mrs. W. S. Norton, Thursday evening, Jan. 20, 1910, from 8:30 to 11, for the purpose of meeting in a social way those that are interested in such work and also to meet those who are not. Come and bring some one with you. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

G. H. Black is here from Childress and expects to make this his future home. Mr. Black brought with him a fine registered colt, trotting stock, by name, Floyd Togo, bought of Mr. Exall.

R. I. Tubbs and family moved Tuesday into the residence recently vacated by Mr. Powell.

## HOW ABOUT A SEWERAGE SYSTEM

IS LUBBOCK GOING TO LOSE SIGHT OF THIS GREATEST OF ALL NEEDS AT THE PRESENT TIME?

## THERE IS A STATE LAW THAT DEMANDS IT

Circulars Are Now Being Sent Broadcast Over The State, Relative To Sanitary Measures And It Will Be Well To Pay Heed. What About It?

At the present time the people are turning their attention to the question of waterworks and sewerage for Lubbock, and it is well that steps should be taken in the premises at once, for there is no doubt about the need of it, nor is there any doubt about the utility.

One great harm that has come to the towns of the west has been caused through lack of drainage and water works.

There can be no excuse for the town of Lubbock not having same, for there is an abundance of water and one of the best places for drainage to be found in the country.

Those who have the least interests of the town at heart know the needs of the hour, but it is a proposition that all must enter into if we hope for success.

### The Crescent Pharmacy

Pickett & Penney, who recently purchased the Palace Pharmacy from Alvis Blake, decided to change the name of same. They offered a beautiful china flower stand to the one who selected the most appropriate name, said name to be decided upon by a committee of the three bank presidents. The name selected was the Crescent Pharmacy, and this name was offered by Miss Wilkerson. Some parties phoned in their selection but they could not be accepted as it was advertised that all should appear in person at the store and register the name they wished to offer.

Messrs. Pickett & Penney propose to make the Crescent Pharmacy one of the leading drug stores in the Plains section of the country.

### For Tax Assessor

In the proper columns of this issue will be found the announcement of J. H. Standerfer, for the office of Tax Assessor, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. Mr. Standerfer has been a resident of Lubbock county for many years, and needs no introduction from us to the voters. He makes no rash promises, but will, if elected, attend to the duties of his office without favor. The Avalanche presents his name to you with pride, ask that you consider his rights carefully when you come to vote in this election.

S. R. Pierce left Saturday for Dognison, Texas, where, as the report goes, he will take unto himself a wife. We extend congratulations in advance, and hope to soon see them at home in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bates of Plainview, visited the family of T. S. Rucker the first of the week.

R. A. Gordon of Childress came in Saturday evening to make Lubbock a business visit.

The cost of the sewerage system has been ascertained and it is small compared to the great amount of good resultant.

With proper handling of the situation Lubbock will develop into one of the principal trading centers of the west.

To accomplish this, steps must be taken looking to the protection of health and property. This is in fact the first and most essential steps to be taken.

Let us keep fully awake to this matter and leave no stone unturned that will be necessary in the securing of a perfect water works and sewerage plant.

The people of the whole country are looking toward this place and the only thing essential to its rapid growth is for the people to lay a proper foundation for its future greatness. Let Lubbock grow. Help Lubbock grow.

### Steam Plows Break Soil

J. J. Dillard, for eight years editor of the Lubbock Avalanche but now in the real estate business in that city, was a visitor in Fort Worth Friday. He says that steam plows are working in all directions on the South Plains now and that thousands of acres of virgin soil are being placed in cultivation. The season in the ground is one of the best in several years, and Mr. Dillard expects to see a record-breaking crop this year.

During the past year some of the farmers in that section cleared over 10000 acres from land for which they only paid \$22.50 an acre.—Ft. Worth Record.

### L. C. Perry Announces

In this issue of the Avalanche you will find the announcement of L. C. Perry for the office of District Attorney. Mr. Perry is offering for re-election and he has served the people faithfully. He points with pride to his record and promises, if elected, to continue in the same impartial discharge of his duties as has been characteristic with him heretofore.

A small fire broke out in the Jackson Boarding House Saturday afternoon, but was soon extinguished. The building in the room was destroyed.

Alvis Blake has identified himself with the Real estate and Insurance firm of Gosssett & Perry. The firm name from now on, will be, Gosssett, Perry & Blake.

C. H. Doak, a prominent real estate man of Lamesa, passed through Lubbock Wednesday en route to Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith and Miss Annie Good spent Saturday night and Sunday with friends in the country.

Mrs. H. W. Burroughs who has been visiting in Oklahoma for the past few weeks, returned home Saturday evening.